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Mr. David Miller Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration P.O. Box 21648 Juneau, Alaska 99802- 1648 Federal Elghway Administration JU 2 mm Juneau Alaska

RE: 2001 - 2003 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment # 16

Dear Mr. Miller:

The following minor amendment, which requires FHWA approval, is submitted for your consideration.

Napakiak: Sanitation Road Construction (Design \$140,000 and Right of Way \$10,000)

The Alaska Deprtment of Environmental Conservation, Village Safe Water Division (VSW) has requested design funding be advanced to 2002 because of a health hazard posed by the existing landfill. VSW will accerlerate construction a new landfill and design funding for the sanitation road is needed as soon as possible. The STIP remains fiscally constrained because deobligations in FFY 2002 exceed the requested funding.

Addition of this project does not require an Air Quality Conformity Determination, an Environmental Impact Statement or an Environmental Assessment, nor does it change the environmental requirements of any other projects.

The State certifies that all applicable provisions of the following laws have been met.

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- 23 USC 135 and Section 8 of the Federal Transit Act,
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,
- Section 110 1 (b) of TEA-2 1 relating to Disadvantaged Business
- Enterprises in FHWA and FTA funded projects,
- Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act,
- Provisions of 49 CFR part 20 regarding restrictions on influencing certain Federal Activities, and
- Section 174 and 176 of the Clean Water Act.

In addition, the State certifies that the following requirements have been met:

- That the STIP has been developed with public involvement as required by Section 450.212 of the **Statewide Planning** Regulations,
- That the STIP contains only projects consistent with the Alaska Statewide Transportation Plan (Vision: 2020),
- That in nonattainment areas, the STIP contains only transportation projects found to conform, or from projects that conform, to the requirements contained in 40 CFR part 5 1,
- That the STIP is fiscally constrained by year,
- That the STIP contains a list of priority projects to be carried out in the first three years of the STIP,
- That the STIP meets the requirements of 23 CFR 2 16, and
- That the existing transportation system is being adequately maintained and operated.

With respect to the certifications mentioned and any corrections you may suggest, we request your approval of the amended 2001-2003 Alaska Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Sincerely.

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cc: Jennifer Bowman, Federal Transit Administration Tom Brigham, Director, Division of Statewide Planning Jim Patterson, Village Safe Water